



## 360° SAN CRISTOBAL DAY TOUR

### Galápagos sharks' journey

San Cristobal Island, another jewel of the crown, is founded on the east of the archipelago. Its area is 558 sq km (347 sq mi) and its high is 730m (2,395 ft). The island holds the biggest fresh water lake of the archipelago called El Junco. The capital of the Galápagos was the first island visited by Charles Darwin. Our guests can explore Rosa Blanca Bay which is distinguished by having a few small beaches. Its main place is the large beach in the center of the small bay where in combination with crystal-clear waters create spectacular scenery. The closest island to the Ecuador mainland is one of the two only places where red-footed, blue-footed, and Nazca can be found in a nesting colony in Punta Pitt. There, two species of frigatebirds are also present, as are swallow-tailed gulls and storm petrels. The view of the sea lions from the top of the cliff over the beach is magnificent. The island gives the opportunity to swim and snorkel next to sea turtles, rays, and sea lions on the Sardina Bay which includes two beaches whose attractions are its small white sand dunes together with its crystalline waters. Cerro Brujo also invites to enjoy its impressive landscape including migratory birds, marine iguanas, as well as other marine specimens. Travelers will find Kicker Rock named for its characteristic shape of a sleeping lion. It offers best booby view and sea lions line the shore. It is an excellent location for snorkeling and diving: manta rays, sea turtles, and hammerhead sharks often spotted.



## Itinerary

**Departure:** at 7:00 am from Baquerizo Moreno Pier

**Returning time:** approximately at 5 pm

**Travel Time:** speed boat ride takes around 1.5 hours (August – October the seas can be quite rough). Adventurers with back or neck injuries are not advised to take this journey.

**Difficulty Level:** intermediate

**Highlight activity:** snorkeling, walking and short beach hike

**Transportation:** speed boat

### Description

San Cristobal island gives another magic trip, 360° San Cristobal which is the most complete excursion surrounding the island by comfortable speed boat. The first spot will be the White Rose Bay (Bahía Rosa Blanca) which is so unique place where travelers going to have a privilege to snorkeling on the crystalline water, they can see colorful fishes, rays, sharks, seahorses, and many other species. Then, our excursionists will move to enjoy Punta Pitt where they will fish, and over their heads red-footed boobies are going to fly. Later, travelers will visit Sardine Bay (Bahía Sardina) in order to enjoy the shadowed areas and they can swim and snorkel next the wildlife richness. The journey continues, arriving Punta Pucuna after 30 minutes hiking. This place was open for tourists by the National Park, so adventurers are going to feel as the first people walking on this endemic place. So, being enchanted and astonished by the geological jewel of Punta Pucuna our guests will go to the Cerro Brujo, on this place they are going to have walking under the lava tunnel experience where travelers can watch many other animal species. At the end of the tour, their fast spot is going to be Kicker Rock. This highlight of Galápagos is offering excursionist unique wildlife in the whole world. Around the rock you can swim next to the hammerhead sharks and with the colorful reef fishes. With this tour you are going to see and enjoy the all jewels that San Cristobal island has, just in one single day.

It is recommended to wear a wetsuit in order to neutralize the sea temperature because it falls under 20°C from September to December and it is up of 27°C from January to August.

#### Includes

- Box lunch (aboard)
- Naturalist Tour Guide accredited by Galápagos National Park
- Purified water
- Snorkeling equipment (mask, snorkel, and fins)
- Comfortable speed boat

#### Does not include

- Wetsuit (available at an extra charge)
- Tips

#### Important note

Always take with you sun screen, repellent, non-slippery shoes, water proof jacket, hat, and camera.

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